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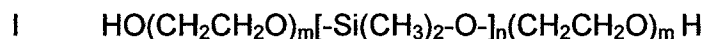
AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listing of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended) An aqueous hair conditioning composition comprising;

- a) from 10% to 50% by weight of a cleansing surfactant selected from the group consisting of anionic, amphoteric, zwitterionic and non-ionic surfactants and mixtures thereof, with the proviso that the hair conditioning composition contains from 5 to 20 percent by weight of anionic cleansing surfactant,
- b) discrete, dispersed droplets comprising a water insoluble silicone conditioning oil, wherein the Sauter mean diameter of the droplets ($D_{3,2}$) is from 2 to 100 micrometres and
- c) from 0.01 to 0.4% by weight of a surface active block copolymer according to formula I:



wherein m is 30 or more, n is 5 or more, and the ratio n/m is from 0.1 to 1.2, and polyethylene oxide comprises from 60 to 85% by weight of the formula I block copolymer.

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Claim 2 (Original) A composition according to claim 1 comprising from 0.01% to 0.4% by weight of the surface active block copolymer.

Claim 3 (Previously Presented) A composition according to claim 1 wherein the silicone conditioning oil has a viscosity from 5000 to 1000000 mm²sec⁻¹ at 25° C.

Claim 4 (Previously Presented) A composition according to claim 1 wherein the silicone conditioning oil comprises a functionalised silicone.

Claim 5 (Previously Presented) A composition according to claim 4 wherein the functionalised silicone is a silicone copolyol with a hydrophile/lipophile balance (HLB) of 10 or less.

Claim 6 (Original) A composition according to claim 4, wherein the functionalised silicone is an amino-functionalised silicone.

Claim 7 (Previously Presented) A composition according to claim 6 wherein the amino-functionalised silicone has a weight percent amino functionality from 0.03 to 8 percent.

Claim 8 (Previously Presented) A composition according to claim 1 wherein the composition comprises less than 0.01% by weight of a cationic deposition polymer.

Claim 9 (Cancelled)

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Claim 10 (Previously Presented) A method for preparing an aqueous hair conditioning composition according to claim 1 comprising the steps of:

- i) preparing a solution comprising water and the surface active block copolymer,
- ii) adding a silicone conditioning oil to the solution,
- iii) forming the solution and the silicone conditioning oil into an oil-in-water emulsion by high-shear mixing,
- iv) dispersing the oil-in-water emulsion comprising the block copolymer into a hair conditioning composition.

Claim 11 (Original) A method for preparing a hair conditioning composition according to claim 1 comprising the steps of:

- i) preparing an oil-in-water emulsion of a silicone conditioning oil,
- ii) dispersing the surface active block copolymer into the emulsion,
- iii) dispersing the oil-in-water emulsion comprising the block copolymer into a hair conditioning composition.

Claim 12 (Cancelled)

Claim 13 (Previously Presented) A method of cleaning and conditioning hair by applying a composition according to claim 1 followed by rinsing.

Claim 14 (Cancelled)

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Claim 15 (Previously Presented) A composition according to claim 6 wherein the amino-functionalized silicone has a weight percent amino functionality from 0.5 to 4 percent.

Claim 16 (New) An aqueous hair conditioning composition according to claim 1 wherein the surface active block copolymer according to formula I is present in an amount of from 0.04 to 0.2 % by weight of the composition.